



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of  
MASTRONARDII

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Appl. No. 09/888,540

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Examiner: Ba Huynh

For: PROCESS FOR SELECTING A RECORDING ON A DIGITAL AUDIOVISUAL  
REPRODUCTION SYSTEM, AND SYSTEM FOR IMPLEMENTING THE  
PROCESS

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October 25, 2006

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY RESPONSE**

This Preliminary Response is being filed concurrently with a Request for  
Continued Examination. Claims 14-19 are pending.

Claims 14-19 stand rejected under 35 USC 103 as being obvious over Martin in  
view of Kaplan. Applicant appreciates that Examiner's comments regarding the filing of  
a translation of the priority document. Applicant has filed herewith a certified translation  
of the priority document in order to obviate this rejection. Applicant believes that the  
filing of this translation overcomes the outstanding prior art rejections and that this  
application is now in condition for allowance.

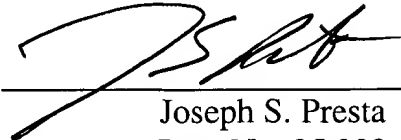
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Allowance of this application is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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